

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 2 April 66 02/1053Z	2. LOCATION 46.10N 155.13E (Pacific) (6 Witnesses)
3. SOURCE Military	10. CONCLUSION Astro (METEOR) ✓ <i>224</i>
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One - Two	
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION Approx 10 Seconds	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Air-Visual	<p>Object was initially a ball, then broke up into 2 pieces about the size of a pea. Brilliant white center with red and blue fringing at the trailing edge of flame. The trail was near drop shaped. Ball of fire began to fall at once. Four seconds later it broke into two pieces then continued to fall for about five seconds more.</p> <p>No satellite decays reported on that date. Probable meteor.</p>
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8. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	

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RUKDAG/ALASKAN NORAD REGION

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SUBJECT: UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT REPORT

TRACK FLOWN: AIRWAYS NAHA TO ADAK

A. DESCRIPTION OF OBJECT.

1. INITIALLY A BALL, BROKE INTO TWO JAGGED PIECES OF EQUUL SIZE.
2. BALL WAS DIME SIZE; TWO PIECES WERE SIZE OF PEAS.
3. BRILLIANT WHITE CENTER WITH RED AND BLUE FRINGING AT TRAILING EDGE OF FLAME. KKKKCOLORS SAME FOR PIECES.
4. ONE BALL, THEN TWO PIECES AS BALL BROKE UP.
5. N/A

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6. TRAIL TEAR-DROP SHAPE FOR BALL AND THEN FTR PIECES#
7. N/A
8. PILOT PRIMARY OBSERVER WM APPEARED TO PILOT AS POSSIBLE HXPLODING AIRCRAFT OR U DESTROYED MISSILE. SEQUENCE OF SHAPES: BALL OF FIRE BEGAN TO FALL ALMOST AT AONCE; APPROXIMATELY FOUR SECONDS LATER, THE OBJECT BROKE INTO TWO PIECES. THE TWO PIECES THEN CONTINUED TO FALL BURNING FOR APPROXIMATELY FIVE SECONDS LONGER.

B. DESCRIPTION OF COURSE OF OBJECT.

1. WHITE BALL OF FIRE

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F. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION OF ALL OBSERVERS

1. N/A

2. MURRAY, R. L.	LTJG	VP-49	PILOT	1
DALMAN, R. C.	LTJG	VP-49	COPILLOT	1
SMITH, W. T.	LTJG	VP-49	OBSERVER	1
MONTGOMERY, R.	AMH1	VP-49	FLT. ENGR.	1
COOK, D. L.	AT2	VP-49	RADIO	1
ONEIL, R. B.	AMCS	VP-49	OBSERVER	1

G. WEATHER AT TIME OF SIGHTING

1. CLEAR AT ALTITUDE; VISIBILITY UNLIMITED. HAZE LAYER FROM 12,000 TO 20,000 FT.

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2. UNK

3. NONE

4. UNLIMITED AT ALTITUDE

5. SCTD CUMULUS AT 12,000 FT.

6. NONE

H. UNUSUAL ACTIVITY WHICH MIGHT ACCOUNT FOR SIGHTING

1. NO UNUSUAL ACTIVITY NOTED. METEORITE ACTIVITY EVALUATED LIGHT AND THOSE OBSERVED HAD NO RESEMBLANCE TO OBJECT SIGHTED.

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1. INTERCEPTION OR IDENTIFICATION ACTION TAKEN.

1. FUCHU AIRWAYS CALLED IMMEDIATELY UPON SIGHTING AND ASKED IF ANY TRAFFIC KNOWN TO BE WITHIN AREA OF OBJECTS SIGHTED. NEGATIVE REPLY.

J. NO AIR TRAFFIC GOWN TOTHTJIN VICINITY OF SIGHTING.

2. 3 DEGREES NEGATIVE ELEVATION/ AZIMUTH 355 DEGREES TRUE BRNG.

3. 8 DEGREES NEGATIVE ELEVATION/ AZIMUTH 353 DEGREES TRUE BRNG.

4. BALL APPEARED MOTIONLESS AT FIRST OBSERVATION; ALMOST IMMEDIATE DESCENT WITH TEARDROP SHAPE FLAME. PILOT OBSERVED VERE SLIGHT WESTERLY DRIFT AS OBJECT BROKE INTO TWO PIECES.

5. IMPOSSIBLE TO DETERMINE WHETHER FIRE EXTINGUISHED OR OBJECTS FADED FROM SIGHT DUE TO ENTRY INTO HAZE LAYER BELOW AIRCRAFT.

LIGHT DISAPPEARED GRADUALLY.

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6. APPROXIMATELY 10 SECONDS.

C. MANNER OF OBSERVATION

1. VISUAL DETECTION ONLY. RADAR WAS OPERATING AND WAS USED TO ATTEMPT TRACKING WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

2. N/A

3. P3A / 2151355 / 27,000 115 / 050 DEGREES TRUE / 350 KTS GROUND SPEED /

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D. TIME AND DATE OF SIGHTING

1. 021053Z

2 NIGHT

E. LOCATION OF OBSERVERS

1. 46-10 N / 155-13 E.

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